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Great Lakes Basin Hydrology June 2011

Overall, the Great Lakes basin experienced above average precipitation during the month of June. Lakes Superior and Michigan-Huron received above average precipitation in June. Lakes Erie and Ontario received below average precipitation, experiencing 59% and 72% of average precipitation, respectively. Over the past 12 months, precipitation on all of the lakes has been above average. During June, the net supply of water was near average for Lake Superior, above average for Lake Michigan-Huron, and near average for Lakes Erie and Ontario. Outflows from Lakes Superior and Michigan-Huron were below average in June while outflows from Lakes Erie and Ontario were above average. The tables below list June precipitation, water supply, and outflow information for the entire Great Lakes basin.

A comparison of June monthly mean water levels to long-term (1918-2010) averages show that Lakes Superior and Michigan-Huron were 12 and 13 inches, respectively, below average. Lakes St. Clair, Erie, and Ontario were 2, 10 and 11 inches above average, respectively.

| PRECIPITATION (INCHES) | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|------|------------------------|-------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------------|-------|-----------------|
| BASIN | June | | | | 12-Month Comparison | | | |
| | 2011 | Average (1900-2008) | Diff. | % of Average | Last 12 Months | Average (1900-2008) | Diff. | % of Average |
| Superior | 3.60 | 3.27 | 0.33 | 110 | 32.57 | 30.51 | 2.06 | 107 |
| Michigan-Huron | 4.22 | 3.14 | 1.08 | 134 | 36.04 | 32.44 | 3.60 | 111 |
| Erie | 2.02 | 3.45 | -1.43 | 59 | 42.21 | 35.40 | 6.81 | 119 |
| Ontario | 2.26 | 3.12 | -0.86 | 72 | 37.70 | 35.71 | 1.99 | 106 |
| Great Lakes | 3.52 | 3.21 | 0.31 | 110 | 36.12 | 32.64 | 3.48 | 111 |

| LAKE | June WATER SUPPLIES ¹ (cfs) | | June OUTFLOW ² (cfs) | |
|----------------|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | 2011 | Average ⁴ (1900-2008) | 2011 | Average ³ (1900-2008) |
| Superior | 159,000 | 155,000 | 58,000 | 77,000 |
| Michigan-Huron | 245,000 | 204,000 | 173,000 | 192,000 |
| Erie | 30,000 | 31,000 | 231,000 | 216,000 |
| Ontario | 39,000 | 42,000 | 308,000 | 260,000 |

Notes: Values (excluding averages) are based on preliminary computations. CFS denotes cubic feet per second.

¹ Negative water supply denotes evaporation from lake exceeded runoff from local basin.

² Does not include diversions.

³ Niagara and St Lawrence rivers average outflows are based on period of record 1900-1989 and 1900-2005, respectively

⁴ Lakes Erie and Ontario average water supplies based on 1900-1989